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HONGKONG, 28th February, 1911.

Our Tientsin correspondent writes us against the rumours current in that port about the rapid removal of the British troops, but nevertheless from private sources in the North we learn that preparations for the almost immediate departure of our forces from North China were more than a fortnight ago, far advanced, and the date given for beginning the embarkation was on or about the 15th March. Doubtless every Englishman will breathe the free air when the time comes that the troops, which were sent to China unwillingly, may be safely retired, and the only question remaining is whether or not there is any possibility of the period being so near. There are many reasons why our Government should desire to determine a foreign occupation: in the first place it is in most cases a sheer waste of force when the occupation is not intended to be permanent, and in the second place it is enormously expensive keeping a force in a foreign country where nearly everything has to be imported, and those supplies purchased on the spot have to be paid for at famine prices. Owing to centuries of misgovernment, the North of China has ceased to be a productive country; the population presses on the means of production, and a slight extra demand unhinges the local markets. Still enormous expenditure has taken place on what may be called the capital side of the account in bringing the occupying troops to the front, and another enormous expenditure has to be faced in removing them. The cost and wear of keeping the force on the spot is only the additional expense of keeping it up in China as compared with India, and looking at the mere economics of the situation, it would certainly be a false economy to attempt to remove it until the object of the occupation were indubitably attained. It would not be the first time, even in China, that a too hasty withdrawal has had to be supplemented by the despatch of another force on an increased scale, and at the very moment we find, after premature withdrawal, a considerable portion of the army of occupation from South Africa, there have had to send a

still larger force to accomplish the task which we had unwisely supposed were ended. Now in China we have a precedent directly to the point. In 1858, Lord Elgin concluded the treaty of Tientsin, so far as the signatures were concerned; but he omitted the very important element of making it effective, and took away the force in view of which the Chinese Court had directed its representative to sign. When the next year, unbacked by any tangible means of enforcing the provisions of the treaty, the Minister elect presented himself at the entrance of the Peking, he found the passage barred. The Chinese had reasoned that the occupying force having been withdrawn before the work in hand was accomplished, the reason was that the occupation had proved too expensive, and the British government feared from economic reasons to continue it, much less to go to the expense of renewing it. We know the result; a larger force had to be sent out to accomplish what the first should have done, but did not. Even this second force through the too easy acquiescence of Lord Elgin left the end of its task incomplete, and we have had to seek the remedy by the despatch of our present army of occupation. As long as the means of enforcing them were in sight the Chinese government was no doubt perfectly sincere in its promises of abiding by its stipulations. Lord Elgin, we know, as Sir John Davis before him, was perfectly charmed by the ready acquiescence displayed. Nothing could have been nicer; the whole government from the Emperor down had turned over a new leaf, and all were devoted believers in the new regime that had come to regenerate China. History tells us what happened: and how it required a new war and a new treaty before the first stipulation in the previous, that of residence in Peking, was possible. *Et non dice quare.* The Chinese Government has at last consented to punish those chiefly responsible for the "Boxer" enormities; but the sentences have not yet been carried out, and much difficulty may be experienced by the Court before this can be effected. The presence of foreign troops in Peking and Tientsin is the first, the only guarantee that justice will be done. "Forewarned, ye are told in the proverb, 'is forearmed,' or so it ought to be. But is it? Let the revival of disaffection in South Africa, and the result of Lord Elgin's famous retreat from Tientsin be in evidence, before our Government determines on a course which will entail not only dishonour, but even from the narrow economical field of view must result in disastrous loss.

One fresh case of plague was reported during the 24 hours ending at noon yesterday, the sufferer being Chinese, as in all previous cases this year.

We desire to draw attention to the Championship Boxing Tournament in the Theatre Royal to-night, when the preliminary rounds for the four championships will be brought off.

The second round of the handicap for the Challenge Cup at the Hongkong Chess Club has been concluded, and the draw for the third round is as follows:—Col. The O'Gorman v. Mr. P. G. Hendley, Mr. P. W. Sergeant v. Mr. Quist.

The Russian authorities at Kioff have decided to send 150 students, recently arrested for partaking in demonstrations and agitation calculated to lead to disturbances, to Port Arthur, to serve there with the colours. The same fate, it is stated, awaits some thirty students arrested in the capital on a similar charge.

A most enjoyable hockey match was witnessed on Monday afternoon, on the Kowloon parade ground, between the 5th Infantry, Hyderabad Contingent, and the Hongkong Hockey Club, resulting in a victory for the Infantry by 6 goals to 3. The game was fast from beginning to finish. The first goal was scored by the Infantry within the first 3 minutes. The Club team mostly consisted of Artillery Officers.

At Harroston's Circus last night that popular quartette, the Sisters Essegonda, took their benefit, and a very full and faithful assembly manifested their appreciation of these graceful and agile dancers. The whole performance was carried out with the thoroughness which marks Mr. Harroston-Love's combination of artists in the circus line. The evening's entertainment was fully enjoyed by all present. There will be a special matinee this afternoon, and in the evening the riding competition for gentleman jockeys is sure to prove a good draw.

By the death of Major-General Peter Macleod, R.A. of Wimbore, Dorset, which we reported in our issue of yesterday, we find it announced that Lady Louisa Macleod, which is part of the estate, now descends to Mr. Hope Somerset-Macleod, a grandson of the deceased. This gentleman, we understand, is a nephew of Mr. J. Norton-Kyshe, the Registrar of the Supreme Court in this colony. General Macleod, we may add, in his early days, in addition to his services previously mentioned, was military secretary to the Major-General, Sir James Duff, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander of the Forces in Hongkong, 1851-1854.

The French Mail of the 17th January was delivered in London on the 26th inst.

The Taipei Branch of the Japan Red Cross Society has established a sub-office at Amoy, as the number of foreign and Japanese applicants to the Society are increasing there. Mr. Uyeno, Japanese Consul at Amoy, has been appointed president.

An amalgamation of the oil companies in Echigo, Japan, which it is proposed should be formed into one company under the title of the Imperial Kerosene Company, is projected. Seven companies, it is reported, have already agreed to amalgamate. The object is to compete with the Standard Oil Company.

The course adopted by the War Office in determining to create five new native Indian regiments, and to employ them on garrison duty in Hongkong, Singapore, Ceylon, and Mauritius, finds general favour, states the *East India Mail*. The cost of the maintenance of the regiments will, of course, fall on the Imperial Exchequer, but it will have the effect of freeing five European battalions, and of adding that strength to the home establishment. At Hongkong, continues our contemporary, there is already a native regiment, raised some years ago in India. A good deal was heard of it at one period of the present troubles in China, and its record is entirely satisfactory. It is understood that the new regiments are not to be specially attached to any locality, but are to be relieved periodically as the exigencies of the service may require.

Mr. Joseph Hodges Choate, who has been appointed arbitrator between England and China in the case of the wrecked *Kowching*, is perhaps the most popular man in England who is not an Englishman. His speeches are always as interesting as they are eloquent, and often Mr. Choate has taught us things about ourselves which many of us did not know before. His speech on the history of Downing Street is a case in point. Mr. Choate is said to be sacrificing an income of \$20,000 a year by devoting himself to the public service. He is the first lawyer in America. It was he who got a declaration from the Supreme Court of the United States that the Income Tax imposed a few years ago was unconstitutional, and for this triumph against the Revenue, Mr. Choate received one of the biggest legal fees on record—\$20,000.

With regard to the headmaster nuisance at Nagasaki, Mr. Furukawa, the Superintendent of the Nagasaki Police, informed a representative of the *Nagasaki Press* that stringent measures are to be adopted to effect the removal from the port of this undesirable class of men. To assist the authorities in the matter, captains of vessels are requested to notify their respective Consuls of the desertion of any of their crew at the port. The Consul will then inform the Public Prosecutor, and the latter, in accordance with international law, will issue a warrant for the man's arrest. The maximum penalty for desertion is ten days' imprisonment.

Should a beachcomber neglect a resident and ask for money, a complaint should be made at once to the police authorities, who will speedily secure the man's arrest, as all the men of this class are known to the police. It is said that Kobe is now free of this undesirable class of men.

The following is from a Penarthshire paper, the *Swansea Free Press*. It occurs in the letter of an instrument of civilisation in the Victorian Naval Contingent to his sister. He describes the "captain" of Paotingfu and the arrest of the guilty officials, and continues:—"Dear sister, I had the pleasure of being sentry over them for twenty-four hours, and I can tell you we paid them back a few scores. They went on their knees to me and another man that was with me and cried for water and for something to eat, but I showed some to them and that was their share. We cut off all their pig-tails before we took them out to be shot. We lined them up in a row and then we gave them a spade each and made them dig their own graves. Then we stood twelve paces from them, there being ten of us told off to shoot them. When the order was given to fire we gave them a beautiful volley and they dropped like one man. We started back for Tientsin and we looted and burned every village we came to." The "beautiful volley" is legitimate enough, but what of twenty-four hours without food or drink?—to mention nothing else.

The Tokyo Correspondent of the *Standard*, in a recent letter, remarks that the hospital service of the Japanese army was the subject of careful examination by European—especially English—medical experts during the war with China in 1894-95. It was again brought under conspicuous notice during the recent campaign in China, the result of foreign observation on this second occasion being still more creditable. It has long been recognised that the Japanese have a special faculty for surgery, their remarkably supple hands and imperishable nerves being an excellent equipment for that work. In the field of medical investigation, too, they are beginning to make their mark. Reports just published by the fifteen contagious disease hospitals of Tokyo for the five-year period 1895-99, show that Dr. Kitasato's method of treating dysentery by serum inoculation has been so successful, as to reduce its maximum death-rate from 55 to 12.5, and the minimum from 22.5 to 3.5. That is not by any means Dr. Kitasato's only contribution to the science of healing, but it is a contribution of great importance to Japan, where the deaths from dysentery every year have hitherto averaged 24,000.

The import of sugar into Japan from Hongkong has already increased in view of the proposed tax on that commodity. Some 12,000 cwt. recently arrived at Nagasaki on one steamer, and 10,000 cwt. were expected to arrive by another boat.

The amount of convertible notes of the Bank of Japan issued beyond the limit of the law is reported to have increased to 21,000,000 yen. The total amount of notes issued stood at 205,000,000 yen on the 14th inst., while the total amount of advances stood at 83,000,000 yen. The reserve of real currency was 68,000,000 yen.

It is interesting to note that the treaty with Spain for the acquisition of the islands of Sibutu and Camayan, of the Philippine group, at a cost of \$100,000, was ratified in the U. S. Senate with no votes to spare, a two-thirds vote being needed and the voting standing 38 to 19. In the debate prior to ratification a number of Senators manifested a disposition to oppose further acquisition of Oriental territory.

We regret to learn that Captain Braun, of the Hamburg-America line, S.S. *Sibiria*, died on the way up from Hongkong to Yokohama. Captain Braun will be known to a number of residents in Hongkong both as first officer and captain of the *Sibiria* (formerly known as the *North*) before the amalgamation of the King's line with the Hamburg-American. Captain Braun was comparatively a young man, not being more than forty years of age. He was extremely popular with passengers because of his cheery disposition and the consideration he always showed for their comfort.

Than Mr. Rudolph (Chambers) Lehmann, who has just been appointed the editor of the *Daily News*, writes a sporting correspondent, there is no greater authority on rowing, although he never obtained his Blue. He pulled in the Third Trinity Eight, and became one of the most expert "coaches" in this or any other country. With fine sporting impartiality he has tutored both Cambridge and Oxford. It was out in America, while endeavouring to teach the Harvard students a long instead of a short stroke, that he fell in love with Miss Alice Marie Davies—and wedded her, although at 42 years of age he was generally regarded as a confirmed bachelor. He is desperately fond of sport in the open air, especially on the river, and it is said that he built an up-Thames house at Bourne End near Marlow, so that he could the better catch the "Varsity" crews, who are at the present time commencing their long and arduous training. He has been hon. secretary to the Amateur Rowing Association; captain of the Leander Rowing Club; and one of the leaders of the National Physical Recreation Society. As a cyclist, a fencer, a boxer, and a shot, "Rudie" Lehmann can hold his own with most men. He has been on the staff of *Punch* for ten years, and much curiosity will be manifested as to the progress of the *Daily News* under his regime.

SWATOW.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

Swatow, 25th February.

NEW FIELD FOR CHINESE AGRICULTURISTS.—Fochow will supply men to cultivate the untilled but fertile land of Sarawak in future. A certain Chinaman of high standing, who is the father-in-law of Dr. Lim Boon King of Singapore, has undertaken to send men from Fochow to Sarawak. He passed through here the other day, and hearing of this, I availed myself of the opportunity to interview him. He was kind enough to impart to me all necessary information. In answer to my various enquiries he told me that he and another had entered into an agreement with the Sarawak Government to supply the latter with 2,000 men in the course of two years. These men, being all farmers, are to cultivate principally rice, and as circumstances permit other necessities also.

It is the first time that Fochow men have departed in a body with their families from their native province and emigrated to a strange place, and in view of this I questioned my informant whether the Fochow men will find it easy to settle in Sarawak. He told me that this difficulty is easily overcome and he hoped that this new departure will prove successful. Up till now 600 men have already left Fochow for Sarawak and at future periods more are to follow.

A NEW FIRM TO PROMOTE EMIGRATION.—A new German firm has established itself here with the intention of shipping coolies to German New Guinea. The firm has now been in existence for a considerable time, but no coolies have left yet, yet for the new destination.

SPORT IN FOCHOW.—A few sportsmen, belonging to the German man-of-war *Seeadler* at present in port, went up river shooting a few days ago, and owing, I presume, to bad luck couldn't get a single bird, but not wishing to return empty-handed, they shot out of mere disgust five tame ducks, which they brought back with them. As the tale originated from a native source, I give it with all reserve for that it is a truth.

THE NEW YEAR.—Chinese New Year came and went with unusual quietness. The Chinese don't celebrate their New Year festivities with so much excitement and bonfire as the English do. In the case of your countrymen, Cantonese, I think there were no fires here, but a congregation took place at Chowchow, which caused very little damage. But a Chinese New Year is a time when the people are not so busy with their work as they are at other times, and it is a time when they are more inclined to be merry and to spend their money on food and drink.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

SHANGHAI, 27th February, 7.31 p.m.

CHINESE ENVOYS EXPRESS

SATISFACTION.

The Chinese Plenipotentiaries at Peking have wired to Cheng Tsejeh announcing that peace is now close at hand and expressing their congratulations on the good news that an amnesty has been granted to political prisoners who escaped the Board of Punishments when the Allied troops entered Peking.

SHANTUNG ESCORT FOR THE

EMPEROR.

Governor Yuan Shikai is sending 3,000 picked troops from Shantung to escort the Emperor on his way to Peking.

REUTERS SERVICE.

LONDON, 26th February.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

The Orange River is impassable. De Wet and Steyn, having failed to cross, have doubled back to the west re-crossing the railway south of Orange River station.

The British have formed a cordon from Orange River station to Norvalspont and are closing in on the Boers. Louis Botha, with 2,000 Boers, has broken away from General French and is moving in the direction of Komatipoort.

THE "SYBILLE" COURT-MARTIAL.

On the recommendation of the court-martial enquiry into the stranding of the British cruiser *Sybil*, four officers have been dismissed the ship.

SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, 27th February.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR JOHN CARRINGTON, C.M.G. (CHIEF JUSTICE):

LUK LAI CHOY, T. H. KINGSLEY.

In this case the plaintiff is a dealer in cotton yarns residing and carrying on business at No. 32, Bonham Strand East, in co-partnership with So Shou Ming and others. The defendant is a mechanical engineer and generally resides in Shanghai, and at the time of the writ was temporarily resident in Hongkong. The plaintiff alleged that the defendant had been ordered to specifically perform a contract for the sale by him to the plaintiff of Kowloon Marine Lot No. 39, for the sum of \$325,000 on terms agreed upon, and to execute a proper deed of conveyance of the same to the plaintiff upon payment of the purchase money agreed upon.

Mr. J. J. Francis, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Deacon & Hastings) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. E. H. Sharp (instructed by Mr. C. Evans) for the defence.

Mr. Sharp resumed his reference to the authorities in support of his contention. He stated that no contract binding upon them had been entered into at all. The mistake with regard to which they were arguing before his Lordship was such a mistake as to be found in works upon the subject of agency rather than in works upon the subject of specific performance. The mistake, he alleged, was a mistake of the agent himself as to his power, as to his authority, which mistake, if established, would go far to— that there would be no contract at all.

FOOCHOW.

The Fochow Daily Echo of the 16th inst. contains the following items:—

All restrictions with regard to the return of the missionaries to their various stations are now removed, and with the full consent of the Consuls and of the Chinese High Officials they will proceed up-country soon after Chinese New Year. An excellent proclamation has just been issued by the Viceroy pointing out the good work done by missionaries and urging the Officials and people to treat them with due respect.

The news of the death of Dr. Underwood of Pagoda Anchorage came as a great shock to the residents at Fochow, as he had been amongst us only a day or two previously when he was apparently in his usual good health. The sad event took place at his residence at Mamoi on the 10th inst. from the effects of a fit of apoplexy. Dr. Underwood was only 50 years of age. He had been at Pagoda in the practice of his profession upwards of twenty years and was much liked and greatly respected by all who knew him, both at Fochow and Pagoda.

It is a long time since Fochow residents have had such a musical treat as was arranged for them on Monday last under the auspices of the F. A. M. & D. S. A. visit from Mr. Alec Marsh of Hongkong was the occasion of getting up a concert. It was held in the large reading-room of the Club as being more suitable for music than the theatre. The programme would have been more varied but for the prevailing epidemic invaliding one or two other of our amateurs who would have been willing to assist had they been able. This misfortune, however, led to our having more of Mr. Marsh's singing, which had been never before heard to have been so good as it was, since each of the six songs sung by him was encored. Certain it is that Mr. Marsh's music, his clear voice and his rendering of the songs he sang on Monday evening gave unequalled pleasure to a large number of listeners. Miss Lay's performance both on the piano and mandolin were pleasing in the extreme and Mr. Balloch's singing of the song "Blow, Blow, Blow, Blow, Wind" was thrilling and most successful, and Mr. Balloch's piano playing of the same was equally good.

Chinese New Year came and went with unusual quietness. The Chinese don't celebrate their New Year festivities with so much excitement and bonfire as the English do. In the case of your countrymen, Cantonese, I think there were no fires here, but a congregation took place at Chowchow, which caused very little damage. But a Chinese New Year is a time when the people are not so busy with their work as they are at other times, and it is a time when they are more inclined to be merry and to spend their money on food and drink.

HONGKONG RACE MEETING.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY, 27th FEBRUARY.

Beautiful weather again favoured the Races yesterday. The events were the same as usual on the second day, except that the Scarry Stakes were displaced by the Great Southern Handicap. The Derby winner, Kismet, had been entered for two or three of the events, but owing to its being heavily handicapped did not start. In the first event, the Flyaway Stakes, Mr. G. H. Potts had entered his Desert King and Morituras, and both proved winners (first and third). Mr. Mansfield's Ace of Hearts won the Great Southern Handicap easily. There was a tough struggle between Polka, Strategist, and Sibald for third place, Polka ultimately coming off best. The German Cup was easily won by Mr. Darius's Glory, Mr. David's Loyalist, which at one time looked like winning, being eight lengths behind. The Navy Cup was a good race. Mr. John Peel's Set pulled it off, after a severe competition with Mr. Derick's The Doctor. The Exhibition Plate was won by Mr. John Peel's Baluchi, which secured the lead when entering the straight. The favourites for the Jockey Cup were Sir Hercules McDonnell's Mentor, which entered in the race for the Tai Yee, Fong Cup, Mr. Hammonia's Denmar, was behind until the straight was reached, when he shot ahead and won. Out of 16 entries for the Professional Cup only six faced the starter. Antie acted as pacemaker for the greater part of the race, but was finally run out, and the race won by Bulbul. On returning to the scale an objection was lodged by the owner of Forest King, at the instance of his jockey, on the ground of a cross by the rider of Bulbul. A meeting of the Stewards was at once convened and the affair investigated, the result being that the objection to the winner was sustained. The race was awarded to Forest King, who finished second. Bulbul being disqualified. For the final race six numbers were hoisted, but owing to Sandowner, which was to have been ridden by Mr. Johnson, Bulbul's jockey in the previous race, not arriving in time, the gate was closed and only five horses ran. This regrettable incident gave rise to considerable comment, as Sandowner had been frothy backed. From a splendid start, these got away and led all the way round, although, on coming into the straight for the last time, he was challenged by Croxton. It is curious to note that the first three, Ilesse, Croxton, and Ball's Eye, maintained exactly the same places all the way round, and finished in the order named.

The band of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers was again in attendance, and also the band of the German cruiser *Arcona*.

The following are the particulars of the different events:—

THE FLYAWAY STAKES, a sweepstakes of \$5 each with \$100 added; second to receive \$50; for China ponies; weight for ages as per scale; non-winners at this meeting allowed 5 lbs.; subscription points of any previous season allowed 5 lbs.; previous winners at this meeting 10 lbs. extra. Three quarters of a mile.

Mr. G. H. Potts's Desert King, 10st 12lb.

(Mr. W. V. Cox) 1

Mr. Hart Buck's Esperance, 10st 3lbs.

(Mr. Crawford) 2

Mr. G. H. Potts's Morituras, 11st 11lbs.

(Mr. P. A. Cox) 3

Mr. John Peel's Baluchi, 10st 12lbs.

(Mr. Gresson) 0

Mr. Derick's Thunderstorm, 10st 12lb.

(Mr. Cumming) 0

Mr. H. M. Richard's Herald, 11st 2lb.

(Mr. W. V. Cox) 0

Mr. Dryad's T-B-Bits, 10st 9lbs.

(Mr. Johnson) 0

Mr. Buxey's Blooming Hope, 10st 12lbs.

(Mr. Moller) 0

* 5lbs overweight.

Twenty-one horses had been entered for this race, and it was expected that eight would start. Mr. Derick's Thunderstorm, however, did not get on to the course in time for the start, the race being begun without it. Hermit at once took the lead, followed by Baluchi and Morituras. Coming round the bend, Morituras got ahead of Hermit, which took second place, together with Baluchi. T-B-Bits being last. At the Black Rock, Morituras was leading by four lengths, Desert King and Baluchi being second and third. Desert King continued to forge ahead, and by the time the Village was reached had come up to Morituras. Entering the straight the two ponies raced together. Baluchi being third. Esperance fourth, Blooming Rose sixth, and T-B-Bits last. At the Distance Post Desert King was still leading, but Morituras had fallen behind. Esperance being second and Baluchi third. Morituras, however, pulled up and was overtaken by Desert King, who won the race by a length and a half. Three-quarters of a length divided the first and second, and three lengths the second and third. Times: 1 min. 32.2/5 sec.

THE GREAT SOUTHERN HANDICAP, winner to receive \$1,000; second \$200; third \$50; entrace \$10; for China ponies; 1 mile and a quarter.

Mr. Mansfield's Ace of Hearts, 10st 4lbs.

(Mr. Walwyn) 1

Mr. Derick's Tug Row, 10st 7lb.

(Mr. Cumming) 2

Mr. Kingston's Polka, 10st 7lb.

(Mr. Johnson) 3

Mr. Buxey's New Rose, 11st 4lbs.

(Mr. Gresson) 0

Capt. H. M. Richard's Edelweiss, 11st 10lb.

(Mr. Buxey) 0

Mr. Dryad's Sibald, 11st 4lbs.

(Mr. Crawford) 0

Mr. Derick's Strategist, 11st 5lbs.

(Mr. Moller) 0

* 16lbs overweight. * 5lbs overweight.

Though 27 had been entered for this race, only seven horses actually started. The result of the race was not very surprising, as the winner, Ace of Hearts, was a well-known horse, and had been entered for the race since the first time it was run. The race was a very good one, and the winner was well deserved.

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, **TO-MORROW (FRIDAY),** the 1st March, 1901, at his Sales Rooms, Zetland Street, No. 2, commencing at 2.30 P.M., **A LARGE QUANTITY OF USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,** the Property of Gentlemen leaving the Colony.

Particulars can be seen from Catalogues. On View at the Underigned's.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Auctioneers.

PAUL BREWITT,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1901. [603]

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1901. [630]

RACE HOLIDAY.

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Business at 11.45 A.M. TO-DAY (THURSDAY),

the 28th instant respectively.

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Manager, Hongkong.

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JOHN THURBURN,

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E. V. RUTTER,

Manager.

For the **DEUTSCH-ASIANISCHE BANK,**

H. SCHOTTLEANDER,

Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1901. [560]

INSURANCE HOLIDAY.

HONGKONG RACES.

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GEO. L. TOMLIN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1901. [553]

NOTICE.

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Moji, 17th January, 1901. [551]

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Hongkong, 13th February, 1901. [544]

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Hongkong, 14th January, 1901. [539]

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SPORT AND ANECDOTE.

BY AN OLD FOXY.

THE BEAUTIES OF BILLIARDS.

That great philosopher Herbert Spencer once declared that he took delight in watching a young man play a good game of billiards—but that he was disappointed when he saw him play too well, as it was incontrovertible evidence of the fact that he had devoted too much time to the study and practice of this most fascinating of table games. In other words billiards is a pastime, not a duty; an accomplishment, not a necessity. The majority of Englishmen love the green cloth over which the beautiful balls, so pronounced in colour contrast, steal silently what time they obey the mandate of the cueist. With the soft light shed on the delicately turned ivory playthings, I always think that a billiard table presents a beautiful picture, for there are few implements of sport which appeal so much to our conception of what is artistic. Of course, there are those unfortunate folk on whom the works of the masters of painting have no effect. How then can we expect the aesthetic side of billiards to awaken their sympathy, however much they may relish the scientific and practical part of the game. Human beings are not like shillings cast in one mould. Billiards has been rescued from the odour of the pothouse, and has become a respectable recreation pursued probably by more devotees than any other form of amusement. Everybody, from princes to peasants, plays in some form or another. Indeed, I was intensely amused the other day when I read in an American newspaper that the Prince of Wales had "discarded the four ball English game and insisted on playing in the American style." Moreover, this "expert" added that the Prince was somewhat of a trick-shot player himself. The Prince plays, so John Roberts told me, a very nice game—but diplomatic and cosmopolitan as his Royal Highness is, I scarce think that he would so far change the habit of a lifetime as to discard English billiards.

THE CANNON GAME.

From this I should not like it to be inferred that I decry American and French billiards, which is entirely a cannon game with heavier balls than we use and a cue with a much broader tip. Indeed the canon or cannon play of the finest exponents of the great Republics is truly remarkable, for they are far ahead of Englishmen in ball to ball play. We all remember the historical match between the late Frank Ives, of New York, and John Roberts, in London, when the Yankee won at the peculiarly mixed game that they mutually agreed upon. Most of us can recall how Ives drove the balls from the spot to the corner of one of the top pockets, and held them there while he scored 2,589 by cannons. It is often said that the balls were jammed in the jaws of the pocket, but this is not so, for there was always daylight between the ivory. Moreover, when Ives obtained this position and left the hall at Knightsbridge, on the night of the 1st of June, with his break unfinished, he told Mrs. Roberts that her husband was beaten any minute. Such is the command which the Yankees have over cannons. The bank-game of the Americans must be even more scientific.

THE AMATEUR BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

But for the average Englishman, with not too much time at his disposal, the cannon and hazard styles presents greater variety and quite sufficient scope for calculation and execution. This we have probably been convinced of during the present week by the play in the Amateur Championship of the Billiards Association of Great Britain and Ireland. The right of entry is limited to members of this association, which has never attempted to define an amateur. They class a professional thus: "Any person who, wholly or in greater part, earns or has earned his living by playing or scoring games played upon a billiard table is, for the purposes of the Association, deemed a professional." Thus by implication we learn what an amateur is. The players this week have included Mr. C. M. Macklem, a Canadian by birth, but an officer in the Royal Irish Fusiliers; Mr. F. A. Smith, a Thames Valley man; Mr. A. W. T. Good, the champion of the London Licensed Victuallers; and two others of the same vocation, in Mr. W. S. Jones and Folie Dennis; Mr. Fred Wear, a very well-known racing journalist, whose vaticinations are remarkably accurate; and three gentlemen, Mr. A. R. Wisdom, Mr. E. C. Ogden, and Mr. S. S. Christy, who have played great parts in the struggle for this championship before. Indeed, Mr. Wisdom in March, 1899, defeated Mr. S. H. Fry for the title, although the latter wrested the position from his conqueror on 16th March, last year. Mr. Fry, who is a son of Mr. R. H. Fry, the turf man, has made considerable reputation at golf as well as at billiards—but he is settling in Australia—and hence his resignation and this week's contest, among the gentleman cueists. But after all, this is rather a closed event—and I hardly suppose that the winner would like to play Mr. R. H. Rimington-Wilson, at Broomhead Hall, near Sheffield, who, John Roberts has always said is the finest amateur he has ever seen. Breaks of over 200 by this gentleman, the well-known grouse-shot, are by no means phenomenal, but it is quite contrary to his nature to play in public. Mr. Rimington-Wilson prefers privacy, although it will be remembered that he consented to referee in the great money-match between Roberts and Dawson in the spring of 1899, when the old-time champion won by 1,814. The highest break ever made in the amateur championship is 168 by Mr. R. H. Fry in March, 1899. I have many a time been asked to prepare a list of those who have been amateur champions of England but in the absence of any official records the task is exceedingly difficult. So far as I can make out this list has been won by Mr. H. A. O. Langford, of Manchester, in 1874. A. P. Gaskell, Mr. W. D. Courtney, the appro-

comedian (now a professional), and the manager of the Billiards Club in the Haymarket, London, Mr. H. Mitchell, a solicitor of Blackburn, Mr. W. T. Maughan of Middlebrough, Mr. S. H. Fry (1896 and 1900), and Mr. A. R. Wisdom. I have observed chronological sequence, and it only remains to add that these gentlemen—save one—are in the land of the living, and playing exceedingly well. The exception is Mr. W. T. Maughan, who, if I remember aright, died in 1897 from fever.

ADVICE TO THE AVERAGE AMATEUR.

In hardly any game is there such a disparity between amateurs and professionals as at billiards. To be a player of any power one wants the best of nerve, the clearest and keenest eyesight, the most sensitive touch, and a cool calculating cast of mind. One may possess all these valuable attributes and yet not be a fine player. A man with an inborn aptitude is bound to make headway, and his individuality is certain to assert itself. The majority of the amateurs remain in the rut of average ability in my mind for three main reasons: (1) Because so few hold their cue in the best possible manner; (2) Because so few try to play for position; and (3) because they refrain from playing better man than themselves. Most amateurs grip their cue frequently at the butt, and play with the full swing of their arm. This is radically wrong. The cue should rest in "a circle formed by the index finger and thumb, while all the motion that is necessary can be supplied by the forearm and wrist. Any player who has been used to grip his cue will find it awkward at first to simply allow it to rest as I have indicated. The cue should make each stroke. John Roberts, senior, used to say, "Give me a cue that will play of itself." Now most cues, that are well balanced, will do so if only the striker will give the cue a chance. Nine amateurs out of ten apply "screw," for instance, by the exercise of strength from the arm—but the proper method is to let the weight of the cue itself put on the "screw." To hold the cue well is the first essential, and to know where to hit your ball is the second. I cannot teach billiards—especially on paper—but I can give a hint which will improve any man's game if he will only persevere on the line I have mentioned. But, as in chess, always look ahead at billiards. Do not be merely a stroke player. Remember that the secret of great breaks is a succession of easy shots. If you want to confirm what I say about holding the cue and thinking of the shot to follow the one you are making, carefully watch H. W. Stevenson whenever the chance presents itself. Finally, remember that it is impossible to learn from a player no better than yourself; therefore it is well to frequently tackle your superiors. Books can never teach the game, and the advice I have tendered is the result of experience.

NOTTINGHAM CRICKET.

At the annual meeting of the Nottinghamshire Cricket Club last Saturday, the Duke of Portland was good enough to preside—and this, coupled with the fact that the home match between Nottingham and Derbyshire is to be played on the really pretty cricket ground at Welbeck Abbey, shows that His Grace is taking more interest in Nottingham cricket than he ever did before, although some years ago he was the President. If such noblemen as the Duke of Portland, the Duke of Newcastle, the Duke of St. Albans, Earl Manservants, and Lord Galway, who all have seats in the county, could be induced to take an enthusiastic interest in the club it would be to the great advantage of the shire. However, it is gratifying to find the Duke of Portland doing so much. The receipts for the year have been £2,543. 17s. 3d., which afforded a profit of only £27. 19s. 2d., although just over £300 of the receipts in the Nottingham v. Surrey match had been presented to Arthur Shrewsbury. The most encouraging feature of Nottingham cricket, however, is an increase of £519 in the gate money, and the development of several young players like Tom Wans and John Gunn. This year Nottingham will have the assistance of A. W. Hallam, who played for Lancashire, of C. Pepper, who was a professional in Scotland in 1900, and of G. Anthony, who fulfilled an engagement at Leigh last year. These are likely young players—and before long, I believe that Mr. A. E. Hind, the triple Cambridge Blue will appear in the eleven of the Midland county. Thus, I think, Captain W. E. Denison was quite justified in taking an optimistic view of the future of Nottingham cricket. There was a great improvement last season when they did better than in any campaign since 1893. As Mr. Denison said years ago, Nottingham is not at the head of the counties were usually second. Now they have been having a period of trouble, just the same as Surrey and Yorkshire have passed through, but they are sure to re-establish their supremacy some day, for in Mr. Henry Turner they have a wonderfully able secretary and they have a smart and keen committee.

MR. A. G. STEEL, Q.C.

Among the last list of barristers who have "taken silk," or become a Queen's Counsel, stands Mr. Allan Gibson Steel, who had such a brilliant cricket career at Marlborough School and Cambridge University, while his achievements for Lancashire and for England are writ large in the annals of the game. Mr. A. G. Steel is one of six brothers, four of whom played for Lancashire, and on one occasion all the

four in the same match against Surrey. At 15 "A. G." was in the Marlborough eleven, and a very powerful factor too. Before he was 18 he was captain of Marlborough, and while a schoolboy played for his native county, as did A. C. MacLaren and A. H. Spooner (another Marlborough) in later years. In 1878, when in his twentieth year, Mr. Steel gained his Blue as a Freshman, and assisted the Gentlemen against the Players both at Lord's and the Oval. To trace his career in detail is outside our present purpose, and it only remains to add that he enjoyed the honour of captaining England against Australia in 1886 and that he was one of the finest all-round players who ever donned flannel. With a slow ball he could break from either the "off" or "the leg" and was truly a great artist in attack. Of many triumphs with the bat his 148 for England against Australia in 1884 will ever be remembered as the finest. This innings caused "Punch" to burst into rhyme, in the course of which the "jangler" wrote:—

"Steel? Well, if 'twas perfection, his batting, it wasn't far from it."

One forty-eight a tall innings, and style, sir, as well as swiftness.

Lord! how they cheered when they found the Australian's eyes he was wiping!

Take lots of wiping those eyes do; there's sharp on the ball as a ferret!

"Plenty of stick in them; too, and all kinds of sound cricketing merit."

Foremen quite worthy our Steel."

Mr. Steel was also a most accomplished racquet player, being the partner for Mr. C. T. Studd against Oxford, while he has acted as referee in some of the greatest racquet matches of modern times. However, when "A. G." was called to the Bar he found that cricket required too much of his time—and, like a man, he abandoned pleasure for practice in his profession, devoting what leisure he could obtain to golf. As a member of the Royal Liverpool he has won several handicap competitions at Hoylake. All cricketers will rejoice at Mr. Steel's advancement to the same rank as his fellow Cantab and one-time captain, the Hon. Alfred Lyttelton.

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Hongkong, 17th May, 1895. [132]

COLD STORAGE.

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race between Polka, Strategist and Sinala resulted in Polka securing third place. Time, 2 min. 44 1/2 sec.

The GARRISON CUP, presented by the officers of the Garrison, second to receive \$100; for water subscribers, for members as derby griffin; subscription water griffin, eligible; handicap, previous non-starters carry top weight; entrance \$10. One mile.

Mr. Jay's Rheingold, 11st 2lbs (Mr. P. A. Cox) 1

Mr. David's Unionist, 11st 2lbs (Mr. Moller) 2

Mr. Dorick's Farewell, 11st 7lbs (Mr. Cummings) 3

Mr. Buxey's Imperial Rose, 11st 10lbs (Mr. Gresson) 4

Mr. J. H. Lewis' Arrogant, 11st 10lbs (Mr. Walwyn) 5

Mr. Hammonia's Blitz, 11st 10lbs (Mr. Johnson) 6

4th overweight, 2 1/2 lbs overweight, 5 1/2 lbs overweight.

In this race six out of the twenty horses entered started. Imperial Rose at once got in front, and was still leading when passing the Grand Stand for the first time. Farewell being second and Arrogant third. At the Black Rock Imperial Rose and Farewell were still first and second, but Unionist had won third place from Arrogant, which was fourth. At the Village Unionist, which had made a sprint, was leading, with Imperial Rose second and Arrogant third. Unionist entered the straight with a lead, but was challenged by Rheingold. The latter got ahead, and won by two lengths. Two lengths dividing the second and third. Time, 1 min. 51 2/5 sec.

The GERMAN CUP, presented by the members of the German Club, second to receive half the entrance fees; for subscription water griffin; this season, 1900-1901; weight for inches per scale; entrance \$10. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. David's Loyalist, 11st 2lbs (Mr. W. W. Cox) 1

Mr. David's Loyalist, 11st 2lbs (Mr. Moller) 2

Mr. Hart Buck's Croxton, 11st 10lbs (Mr. Crawford) 3

Mr. Hammonia's Baron, 11st 10lbs (Mr. P. A. Cox) 4

Mr. J. H. Lewis' Innocent, 11st 10lbs (Mr. Johnson) 5

Five horses out of seven which had entered ran. On going away from the Grand Stand, Croxton second and Loyalist third. On passing the Stand the first time Loyalist had secured second place, and at the end had come up to second place. At the Black Rock Loyalist again took the lead from Croxton. On passing the Black Rock Croxton and Loyalist were level. Croxton following ten lengths behind. Loyalist entered the straight with half-a-length lead from Croxton. Croxton being ten lengths behind. Loyalist continued to increase his lead, and won easily by eight lengths, there being ten lengths between the second and third. Time, 2 min. 25 2/5 sec.

The NAVY CUP, presented by officers of H.M. Fleet, second to receive half the entrance fees; for China ponies; weight for inches per scale; winners of one race at this meeting \$10; extra; of two or more races \$10; extra; previous non-starters to carry 12st; entrance \$10. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. John Peel's Baluchi, 11st 10lbs (Mr. Gresson) 1

Mr. Derick's The Doctor, 11st 12lbs (Mr. Cummings) 2

Mr. Nautilus' Sunshine, 11st 9lbs (Mr. May) 3

Major G. M. Debell's Lute, 11st 12lbs (Mr. Johnson) 4

Of the twenty-five horses entered for this race only four turned up. The Doctor started off with a lead, followed by Sunshine and Lute. At the Bridge the order was the same, but at the Black Rock Sunshine drew up to the Doctor, being closely followed by Lute. At the Village, Lute was leading, with Doctor second and Sunshine third. Lute maintained his lead along the straight, closely followed by Doctor. The latter, however, was unable to get in front. Lute winning by about half a length. Time, 2 min. 40 2/5 sec.

The ESCORT CUP, value \$500; presented by the bankers and exchange brokers of Hongkong; second to receive \$100; third \$50; for China ponies; weight for inches per scale; winners of one race at this meeting \$10; extra; of two or more races \$10; extra; previous non-starters to carry 12st; entrance \$10. One mile.

Mr. John Peel's Baluchi, 11st 10lbs (Mr. Gresson) 1

Mr. Marshall's Hope, 11st 7lbs (Mr. Crawford) 2

Mr. Derick's Sandstorm, 11st 1lb (Mr. Cummings) 3

Mr. David's Tarantula, 11st 10lbs (Mr. Moller) 4

Mr. G. H. Pott's Desert King, 11st 2lbs (Mr. W. W. Cox) 5

Capt. H. M. Richard's Hermit, 11st 10lbs (Mr. Walwyn) 6

Mr. Kingston's Polka, 11st 1lb (Mr. Johnson) 7

Of the twenty-four horses entered seven started. At the second attempt they got away splendidly. Passing the Grand Stand the first time Hope led, being second and Sandstorm third. This was the order when the Bridge was reached, except that Hermit had come up to Baluchi. In the bend, Hope had a lead of four lengths from Tarantula. Hope and Tarantula were first and second at the Black Rock; Sandstorm being third and Desert King fourth. Coming round by the Village, Baluchi pulled up towards the front. Desert King also joining the leaders. Entering the straight, Desert took the lead, followed by Baluchi, Hope and Sandstorm. When passing the finishing post, Baluchi pulled ahead and won by a couple of lengths. Time, 2 min. 9 sec.

The JOCKEY CUP, value \$150; second to receive \$50; for subscription water griffin; non-winners of this season, 1900-1901; to be ridden by jockeys who have not had a winning mount previous to this meeting in Hongkong or China; handicap; entrance \$5. One mile.

Sir Horace McMahon's Mentor, 11st (Mr. Debell) 1

Mr. A. Babington's Sundowner, 11st 2lbs (Mr. Finch) 2

Mr. Derick's Deep Bay, 11st 2lbs (Mr. Ford) 3

Mr. J. H. Lewis' Blazer, 11st 10lbs (Mr. Lloyd) 4

Mr. Jay's Algod, 11st 2lbs (Mr. Woodgate) 5

Mr. Roy's Blue Gun, 11st 10lbs (Mr. De Young) 6

Mr. Hart Buck's Lincoln, 11st 10lbs (Mr. Moller) 7

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Bay and Sundowner following. Mentor entered the straight with a lead of eight lengths. At the Distance Post Sundowner took second place. Mentor entered in, winning by 12 lengths. Sundowner second, Deep Bay third, and Blue Gun fourth. Time, 2 min. 2 2/5 sec.

The TAI YUK FONG CUP, value \$200; presented; second to receive \$50; for water subscribers, for as derby and subscription griffin; cap; previous non-starters to carry top weight; entrance \$5. One round.

Mr. A. Babington's Sundowner, 11st 2lbs (Mr. Finch) 1

Mr. Derick's Deep Bay, 11st 2lbs (Mr. Ford) 2

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BEFORE MR. KEMP.

A GOWDOWN PURSUIT.

Li Chan was placed in the dock charged with the theft of a quantity of flour valued at \$120, the property of the Po On Company. The police evidence was to the effect that the prisoner by some unexplained means obtained access to the company's godown in the Connaught Road, and when discovered was about to leave it with 30lbs of flour, amongst other things, in his possession. Corroborative evidence having been given, his Worship considered the charge proved and sentenced the prisoner to two months imprisonment with hard labour.

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The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the seventeenth ordinary general meeting to be held at the office of the General Managers on Saturday, 9th March, at 12 o'clock noon:

Annexed we have the pleasure to lay before shareholders the annual statement of accounts made up to the 31st December, 1900.

The net profit, including the balance brought forward from last year, amounts to \$132,514.65 which is proposed to be distributed as follows:

To place to Reserve Fund \$100,000.00

To pay a dividend of 20 per cent. 12,769.65

To carry forward to next year's account 20,744.95

Business is reported during the year from the abnormally high price of Manila hemp, but nevertheless our sales show an increase, and the result, though not so good as that of last year, is still satisfactory.

Consulting Committee.—In accordance with the Articles of Association, Messrs. Gillies, Lewis, Raymond and Shawan retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. T. Arnold and E. Henderson, who are recommended for re-election.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO. General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1901.

THE BRITISH NAVY IN 1801.

In the Times of the 23rd January, 1891, occurs the following—

It is with satisfaction we learn that a plan has been suggested by some Gentlemen in the City, of fitting out a considerable number of privateers for the purpose of cruising against the trade of the Northern Powers, but more particularly that of the Danes and Swedes. This proposal has already met with such general encouragement, that there are strong grounds to believe it will be carried into execution. By the adoption of it, Government would be enabled to dispose of the whole of our naval force with full effect, and make every necessary provision for the defence of the United Kingdom. An association of a similar nature is also talked of among the Nobles and gentlemen of the country, unconnected with commercial affairs.

JAPANESE EXCLUSION FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA.

A Vancouver (B.C.) despatch of the 24th ult. says:—The new British Columbia Natal Act was put in force today in Vancouver to prevent several Japanese landing from the steamer "Matsushima." The Japanese had landed at the steamer at Tacoma. They were asked to fill out a simple form in English, giving their names, ages and occupation. Only one of them, a student, could do this, and all but the student were compelled to return to Tacoma. It is learned to-night that complications are likely to arise from the fact that the Tacoma authorities will not allow the deported Japanese to land again in United States territory, declaring that they have come from British Columbia without immigration certificates, and are not permitted as they have not \$20 between them. In the meantime the steamer "Matsushima" will have to keep the Japanese on board until the international treaty is straightened out. There were about 5,000 Japanese who immigrated to British Columbia last year. All but about 1,000 of these are wintering in California and Washington. If the Natal Act can be made to stick, when these 4,000 Japanese come to British Columbia to fish next summer they will be returned back into California and the Sound States, and should other immigrants come to Japan they must return to Japan or be well-combed into the Pacific States. The immigration agents here say the law will be strictly enforced.

POLICE COURT.

Wednesday, 27th February.

BEFORE MR. HAZELAND.

SACRILEGE AT STANLEY.

Several petty thefts from native temples in the Colony having taken place during the past few weeks, a strict watch was set by the police upon the building at Ka Shin Wan on Monday night. Early in the morning a man was observed in the temple, who, on being questioned, confessed to having stolen 98 cents in silver and copper. He was arrested and subsequently pleaded guilty. His Worship directed him to receive a dozen strokes with the birch.

THE MASTER OF THE S.S. "LIGHTNING" was summoned for neglecting to go into quarantine before entering the Harbour after coming up from Singapore, a port at which a contagious disease was prevailing at the time of departure. His Worship, after hearing the evidence of the Water Police, dismissed the summons.

A DISORDERLY SEAMAN.

Thos. R. McLean, a seaman charged by the sailing ship "Sea Witch," was brought by the police with refusing to pay the local fare demanded by a rickshaw coolie he had hired on the previous day. He was fined a dollar or four days imprisonment.

AN UNSUSTAINED CHARGE.

Timothy Leonard, described as a man attendant lately employed on board the U.S.S. "Kentucky," was brought up in custody charged with stealing from the person of Alexander Allen, also a man attendant on the same ship, two \$5 American notes, one \$10 American note, two half sovereigns, and gold ring.

THE EVIDENCE of the prisoner, who obtained his discharge from the "Kentucky," and at his invitation he (Allen) took leave on the following day for the purpose of taking in the sights of Hongkong. They started out early and visited the various taverns and drink shops of the Queen's Road, following that up by a turn round the clubs. They reached the Soldier's Club during the afternoon, and to use Leonard's expression, "sampled the drinks all round." An adjournment was made to a pleasure resort off the Queen's Road late in the day, and it was there alleged that his pockets were rifled by the prisoner, who bolted when spoken to on the subject a short time afterwards. Information was then given to the police. When arrested by Sergeant O'Sullivan the prisoner had \$20 in notes, a silver dollar and \$1.30 in cash in his possession.

Oliver Flint, a barman at Thomas's Grill Rooms, proved that he saw the prisoner on the day of the alleged theft, with some dollar bills in his possession, and Mortimer O'Sullivan, police sergeant, proved the same.

The prisoner said he was entirely innocent of the charge, and as his Worship did not think the case had been proved, the defendant was discharged.

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOMS, with Board. Apply to Mrs. MATHER, 2, Pater's Fifth, Hongkong, 1st January, 1892.

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

MRS. SIDNEY JEFFREY, "VERITAS," BEACH ROAD WEST, FLEMINGTOWN, SUFFOLK, ENGLAND. Hongkong, 28th August, 1900. 173

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES. STEAMSHIP "ANNAM." COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES. CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London or as S. d'Arny and S. d'Arny, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, 1st March, at 3 P.M. will be subject to rent and landing charges. All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 4th March, or they will not be recognized. All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 4th March, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPAUX, Agent. Hongkong, 25th February, 1901. 52

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. STEAMSHIP "GLENGLADE." FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAI. THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. DODWELL & CO., LIMITED. Agents. Hongkong, 25th February, 1901. 511

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE. THE Steamship "LIGHTNING" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 25th February, 1901. 538

"INDRA" LINE OF STEAMERS. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM NEW-YORK. THE Company's Steamship "INDRAVELL" having arrived from the above port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed. Goods not cleared by the 1st March, at 10 A.M. will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Co. within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognized. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 22nd February, 1900. 555

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. STEAMSHIP "BRAEMAR." FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI. THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. DODWELL & CO., LTD. Agents. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1901. 511

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Hongkong, 28th February, 1901. [603]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

FOREIGN ATTACHMENT.

Suit No. 167 of 1901.

PLAINTIFFS.—POON TSE WAN, on behalf of himself and all other the partners in the KWONG MAN WO FIRM, of No. 132, Bonham Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, (General Merchants and Commission Agents).

DEFENDANT.—WONG CHUNG LAM, Master of the Wing Li Salt Fish and Dried Meat Shop, of No. 239, Queen's Road Central, Victoria aforesaid.

GARNISHER.—The person in charge of the Defendant's Shop, No. 239, Queen's Road Central, Victoria aforesaid.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Writ of Foreign Attachment returnable on the 8th day of March, 1901, against all the Property movable or immovable of the above named Defendant or his said firm within the Colony, has been issued in this Suit pursuant to the provisions of Section LXXXII. of "The Hongkong Code of Civil Procedure," and Section XXXV. of "The Supreme Court Summary Jurisdiction Ordinance, 1873."

Dated this 23rd day of February, 1901.

DEACON & HASTINGS,
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Hongkong, 28th February, 1901. [607]

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Hongkong, 28th February, 1901. [608]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"IDOMENEUS"
are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Crull, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Kowloon Godowns in both cases it will lie at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Crull or Godown on and after the 1st March.

Optional cargo will be landed unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

Goods undelivered after the 6th March will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 7th March.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1901. [15]

THE TANJONG PAGAR DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED, SINGAPORE.

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12, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1901. [517]

DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG CLUB on FRIDAY, the 8th March, at 8 O'CLOCK P.M.

Members intending to be present are requested to send in their names to the Honorary Secretary on or before TUESDAY, the 5th March.

The Secretary will be glad to receive the names of Devonians wishing to join the Society.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary,
Care of Hongkong Club.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1901. [556]

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Hongkong, 27th February, 1901. [604]

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Hongkong, 27th February, 1901. [602]

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Hongkong, 22nd February, 1901. [547]

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Hongkong, 6th February, 1901. [425]

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Hongkong, 16th February, 1901. [519]

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 10% per Share and Bonus of 14% per Share for the six months ending 31st December, 1900, declared at Monday's Ordinary Yearly Meeting, will be PAYABLE at the premises of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after TUESDAY, the 26th February, and Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, Queen's Buildings, Praya.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1901. [590]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Society's Head Office, No. 1, Queen's Buildings, TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 1st day of March, 1901, at NOON, when the following Resolution will be proposed—

"That in Article 91 the figures '\$7,000' be eliminated and in place thereof the figures '\$12,000' be inserted."

Should this Resolution be passed by the requisite majority, it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting, which will be convened on TUESDAY, the 19th March, 1901, at NOON.

By Order of the Board,
W. J. SAUNDERS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1901. [524]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the Office of the Company, Pedder's Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of March, 1901, at 12 O'CLOCK (NOON), to receive Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1900, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th February to the 6th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1901. [431]

HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Pedder's Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of March, 1901, at NOON, when the following Resolution will be proposed—

"That Article XII. of the Articles of Association be cancelled and that there be substituted therefor the following Article—

"12.—The remuneration of the General Managers shall be a Commission of Five per Cent. per Annum on the gross earnings of the Company, and in addition thereto an allowance not exceeding \$3,000 per Annum for Office Rent and Salaries of Clerks."

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1901. [532]

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that the STATUTORY MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office on THURSDAY, the 7th March, at NOON.

J. W. KEW,
Manager.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1900. [550]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 7th March, at Three O'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1900.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st instant to the 7th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th February, 1901. [468]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 14, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 9th March, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1900, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 9th day of March, both days inclusive.

SHAW, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1901. [572]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LIMITED.

THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 7,726 for Fifty Shares numbered 33,524 to 33,573 inclusive, standing in the name of KOONG KING POON TONG, of Kowloon, having been LOST, notice is hereby given that unless the said Certificate be produced at the Office of the Company, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the Twelfth day of March, 1901, a new Certificate for the said Shares will be issued and the old Certificate will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1901. [484]

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By Order of the Chief Manager in Saigon.
For the BANQUE DE L'INDO CHINE,
L. BERINDOAGUE,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1901. [601]

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 1st March, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1901. [589]

THE HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

A GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the ASSOCIATION will be held at Volunteer Headquarters (by kind permission of Lt. Colonel Sir J. W. Carrington, K.T., C.M.G.), on MONDAY, 4th March, at 5.15 P.M., for the purpose of passing the Accounts for the year 1900, and electing Officers for the year 1901.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1901. [91]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE FIFTEENTH YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Club will be held in the Club House on TUESDAY, 5th March, 1901, at 5 P.M.

By Order,
C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1901. [579]

CARTRIDGES.

NOBEL'S SPORTING BALLISTIFE. Absolutely Smokeless and Water-resisting. The BEST NITRO-POWDER IN THE WORLD. Price of 12-BORE CARTRIDGES—

Primrose Cases ... \$5.65 ... \$7.40

Pegamoid Cases ... 6.25 ... 8.00

Ejector Brass Cases ... 6.90 ... 8.65

5 per cent discount on orders of 1,000 and over.

Apply to
WM. SCHMIDT & CO.,
Gunmakers.
Hongkong.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1897. [198]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Cornhill Road, at NOON, on THURSDAY, the 14th March, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1900.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 12th March, 1901, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 26th January, 1901. [495]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that SCRIP NUMBER 331 for 100 SHARES of the Company, numbered 68,401/68,500, in the name of ELLIS KELLY, Esquire, of Hongkong, having been LOST, a New Scrip for the same will be issued after One month from the date hereof and the Original Scrip will be considered by the Company as null and void, and all persons are hereby warned against accepting or negotiating same.

SHAW, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1901. [518]

UNIVERSAL TRADING CO., LIMITED

NOTICE is hereby given that the General Manager has made a CALL of \$15, in the name of the Holders of Shares in UNIVERSAL TRADING CO., Ltd., which Call is payable to the General Manager on the 21st of March, 1901, at the Company's registered office, No. 4, Des Voeux Road Central.

Dated Hongkong, 14th February, 1901.
H. L. S. HONG,
General Manager.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ... \$1,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... \$250,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq., J. D. GILLIES, Esq.,
CROW TUNG SHANG, Esq., J. T. LAM, Esq.,
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PRATT, Esq.,
Interest for 12 Months Fixed ... 5%
Hongkong, 14th February, 1901. [72]

BANKS.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ... £800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS ... £800,000

RESERVE FUND ... £250,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 1/2 per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent.

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